

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1-7 will remain pending in the above-identified application and stand ready for action on the merits.

No new matter is introduced by the present amendment to claims 1 and 5, inasmuch as the amendment to claim 1 simply clarifies what Applicant's consider to be their inventive discovery, and the amendment to claim 5 simply corrects an obvious typographic spelling error.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

CONCLUSION

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John W. Bailey (Reg. No. 32,881) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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